

# Football injuries can crush dreams of glory

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But there are of injuries — deadly, disabling, crippling, paralyzing injuries

— that can be prevented. And ironically, their cause is a piece of equipment that was adopted to cut down on injuries.

The plastic hard-shell helmet is just as much a weapon used to deal out punishment as it is a protective device. Players at all levels are taught to

"face-tackle," to "stick your nose in his numbers."

They learn how to spear with the helmet, to ram that hard shell into stomachs and knees. Sparring is an illegal tactic, but players pick it up from somewhere.

break necks. Modern rugby players compete without helmets, and they don't break necks.

Now I'm not about to advocate that football go back to the helmetless era. Helmets do seem to cut down on the incidence of concussions, although there are those who claim that it lowers players' fear of injury and thus induces them to stick their heads where they don't belong.

But I do think the helmet needs to be redesigned, that manufacturers need to come up with a softer helmet that allows the force of impact to be distributed and cushioned both for the tackler and the runner.

Maybe a new helmet won't be as slick and provide such a nice surface for team logos as the hard-shell, but maybe that luxury is one we can afford to do without.

## In The Pocket.

By W.W. EDGAR



If the opening week's performances are a good basis by which to judge, the bowlers in the western suburban area will rewrite the record book before the campaign ends.

Seven bowlers broke the 700 barrier on opening night and nothing like this ever has happened before. And it is a sign that scoring, on the average, will be higher than ever.

The Wonderland Classic, which always produces a heavy quota of 700 barrier breakers, kept up its reputation by registering three of the coveted counts.

Bowling in the Classic opener, Al Brass posted

John O'Neil. He paced the Wednesday men's league with a 737 — the highest score reported in the area. He opened with a 245 and then followed with games of 237 and 255.

Scoring was above average in the other leagues, too. In the junior house league, Rick Clark had games of 238 and 256 in 677.

With this count he was only one pin ahead of Joe Bolivar, who strung games of 230, 212 and 234 for his 676. The male bowlers didn't have the honors to themselves. Ann Aho gained some honors for the women when he connected for a 622 in the Ladies Classic.

In this series she had games of 205 and 254.

THERE HAS BEEN A lot of celebrating during the past week at Westland Bowl — and for a good reason.

The Westland team took top honors in the annual Gavie Sweepstakes which opened the season at Thunderbowl in Allen Park. The team, with Keith Naramor showing the way with a 648, posted the high count of 3137 to win the first title for the suburban teams.

Others on the winning team were Bob Schmidt with 645, John Hurley with 642, Bob Rose with 611 and Ray Krutner with 591.

JERRY COLE JR set a goal for all of his rivals

when he rolled a 268 in 655 to win the first series in the new classic at the Super Bowl.

ALETA RZEPECKI, the 16-year-old who starred in her first year game count. At the close of last season, Alea teamed with Cheryl Daniels to win the WIBC doubles — a high honor for the rookies."

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LAWRENCE SAVAGE,  
City Manager

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## Hawk harriers rebuilding

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most of the other schools."

Davis does feel that defending NSL champion Livonia Franklin will be the team to beat again this year. How well the Raiders do, only time will tell.

### FARMINGTON HARRISON

Harrison wasn't overly impressive last season, winning four of nine dual meets. And it looks like they may not be much better this year.

The fourth and fifth runners from last year's team, Dave Tremonti and Brian Anderson, return. Tremonti is now the No. 1 man on the team and Anderson is No. 3. Both are juniors.

The No. 3 runner for Coach Al Van Meter's squad is Brad Penko, also a junior. After that, the talent drops off.

"Everyone else is about even," Van Meter says.

It's not an optimistic outlook, and the Hawks may be pressed to match last year's record. But it is a young team, and it has Van Meter looking to the future.

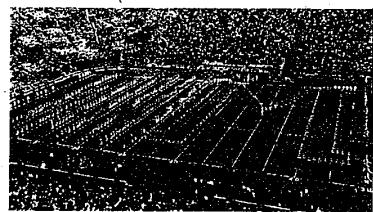
"All sophomores and juniors, so we'll be tough next year."

Northville is Van Meter's pick to win the Western Six League crown again. Waterford Matt, which finished second a year ago, has lost some people, according to Van Meter. But Harrison probably won't have the stuff to move up in the standings.

"We're not that good (to challenge for the title). We're about the same as last year."

So for Harrison, it's borrowing a cliché time from all the Detroit pro sports teams — "Wait 'til next year."

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INDIANA Sun. Jan. 27  
HOUSTON Wed. Jan. 23  
BOSTON Fri. Feb. 23  
PHILADELPHIA Fri. Feb. 23  
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